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## ***Storm Safety!***

### **County Encourages Residents to Prepare for Heavy Rains and Potential Flooding.**

For emergencies, call 911 immediately. For information about County programs and services, call 3-1-1 (use 240-777-0311 for cell phones), between 7:00am and 7:00pm or go anytime to the call center's online portal at [www.MC311.com](http://www.MC311.com). The hours at the MC311 call center will be extended this weekend if weather conditions warrant.

To stay informed during a severe weather event, major crisis or other type of emergency, sign up for the County's "Alert Montgomery" emergency warning system. Learn more

at: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/OEMHS/AlertMontgomery>.

Below is a list of some of the roads in Montgomery County that could be affected by high water. This is not meant to be an inclusive list and all motorists should remain cautious when driving.

#### **UP-COUNTY AREAS**

- MD 97 (Georgia Ave) at Reddy Branch – N. of Brookeville
- MD 124 (Woodfield Rd) at Goshen Branch and at Gr. Seneca Creek – N. of Brink Rd.
- MD 117 (Clopper Rd) at Gr. Seneca Creek – W. of Gaithersburg
- MD 117 (Clopper Rd) at Little Seneca Creek – E. of Boyds
- MD 355 (Frederick Rd) at Little Seneca Creek – W. of Brink
- MD 121 (Clarksburg Rd) near Little Seneca Lake – N. of Boyds
- MD 118 (Germantown Rd) at Great Seneca Creek – S. of Germantown
- River Rd and Berryville Rd at Seneca Creek
- Blunt Road at Great Seneca Creek – S. of Brink Rd.
- Davis Mill Rd at Great Seneca Creek – N. of Gaithersburg
- Brighton Dam Rd at Hawlings River – NE of Brookeville
- Goldmine Rd at Hawlings River – E of Olney
- Zion Rd at Hawlings River – E. of Laytonsville
- Hoyles Mill Rd at ford of Little Seneca Creek – Germantown, west of the soccer complex
- Loghouse Rd at Magruder Branch – S. of Damascus
- Elton Farm Rd at Hights Branch – N. of Sunshine
- Howard Chapel Rd at Hights Branch – N. of Sunshine
- White's Ferry Road and River Road – White's Ferry

## DOWN-COUNTY AREAS

- MD 29 (Columbia Pike) at Paint Branch – N. of White Oak
- MD 185 (Conn. Ave) at Rock Creek – S. of Kensington
- MD 190 (River Road) at Cabin John Creek – Potomac
- MD 193 (Univ. Blvd) at Sligo Creek – Wheaton
- MD 586 (Veirs Mill Rd) at Rock Creek – S. of Twinbrook Pkwy
- Beach Drive in Rock Creek Park – Kensington-Chevy Chase
- Sligo Creek Pkwy – Silver Spring-Takoma Park

*For more important information, see [Press Release](#).*

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### **National Night Out Tuesday, August 1**

***Fight crime in your neighborhood together!***

National Night Out events will take place in communities throughout Montgomery County on Tuesday, August 1. National Night Out is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch to generate neighborhood support and participation in crime prevention efforts and enhance police and community relationships. Check [press release](#) for a list of locations coordinated with the Montgomery County Police Department.

Other local law enforcement agencies serving municipalities in Montgomery County have coordinated additional Night Out events.

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***You still have a couple of days!***

## **Participate in Council of Governments' Transportation Planning Board Survey!**

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Transportation Planning Board is conducting an important public input survey about the future of transportation in the Metro area. Your participation will help inform discussions among elected leaders and regional planners about decisions regarding the region's Long-Range Transportation Plan.

**Take the Visualize 2045 survey [here](#).** For more information about Visualize 2045, go [here](#).

Survey participants are entered into a drawing for a \$50 Visa gift card; 10 winners will be drawn.

***Surveys must be completed by July 31<sup>st</sup>.***

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The Montgomery County Community Action Board Presents



## Community Advocacy Institute

Are you interested in learning how to  
be an advocate for your community?

Application Due August 25

### Apply for Community Advocacy Institute

The [Community Action Board](#) is now accepting applications for the Community Advocacy Institute (formerly the Leadership Development Institute). Participants must be Montgomery County residents with a household income of \$54,000 or less. This FREE program includes workshops featuring elected officials, local advocates, and issue experts.

**[Apply online by August 25.](#)**

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### Zoning Text Amendment on Small Cell Antennas

County Executive Leggett drafted and asked the County Council to introduce a Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) that makes changes to our telecommunications siting policy that will address microtower and small cell antennas in our community. The ZTA tries to balance the federal mandate to allow wireless providers to offer service in all communities with protection for our residential neighborhoods. Specifically, the ZTA would amend rules related to deployment of small antennas street light, utility, and commercial parking lot light poles, as well as on lower height buildings.

Click [here](#) for the full draft ZTA and click [here](#) for the summary. Public comments and letters may be sent to [AntennaZTA@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:AntennaZTA@montgomerycountymd.gov). Additional interactive maps as well as the ability to post your comments on that site will be coming soon.

**A public meeting will be held in September 2017.**

For a summary of the County Executive's meeting with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) this past spring, and more information, visit <http://montgomerycountymd.gov/towers> or [Click here](#).

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### Western County Outdoor Pool Honors Sarah E. Auer

Last week, County Executive Ike Leggett participated in a ceremony to rename the Department of Recreation Western County Outdoor Pool to the Sarah E. Auer Western County Outdoor Pool. The pool is renamed to honor Sarah E. Auer who served as a swim coach for Poolesville Piranhas and the Rockville-Montgomery Swim Club. At the age of 21, Sarah was killed in an automobile accident as she was driving to coach a swimming event. [See more photos from Flickr](#)

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### Council Urges Governor Hogan to Support Stronger Carbon Emissions Standards

*Council advocates for more aggressive stand against climate change as part of the  
Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative*

[http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=21282](http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21282)

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## **New Council Legislation Introduced . . .**

### **Bill 28-17, Human Rights and Civil Liberties – County Minimum Wage – Amount – Annual Adjustment**

Bill 28-17 would increase the County's minimum wage to \$15 per hour by July 1, 2020 for employees who work for an employer with 26 or more employees. Employers with 25 or fewer employees would reach \$15 by July 1, 2022 with some exceptions. The current minimum wage in the County is \$11.50 per hour and there are no requirements in law for further increases. Bill 28-17 would require the Chief Administrative Officer to adjust the County minimum wage rate each year, and require the Office of Legislative Oversight to conduct an annual analysis of the impact of the County minimum wage. In January the Council enacted a minimum wage bill that was subsequently vetoed by the County Executive. Councilmember Elrich is the lead sponsor. Councilmembers Leventhal, Riemer, Hucker and Navarro are co-sponsors. The staff report can be viewed at:

[http://montgomerycountymd.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view\\_id=169&event\\_id=5034&meta\\_id=141980](http://montgomerycountymd.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=169&event_id=5034&meta_id=141980) .

### **Bill 27-17, Human Rights and Civil Liberties – Human Trafficking Prevention Committee – Established**

Currently the County has a Human Trafficking Task Force dedicated to preventing human trafficking in the County; however, it does not have the power to advise the Executive or the Council. The Human Trafficking Prevention Committee would work with the Commission for Women to raise and spend money on human trafficking issues. Council President Berliner is the lead sponsor, at the request of the County Executive. The staff report can be viewed at:

[http://montgomerycountymd.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view\\_id=169&event\\_id=5034&meta\\_id=141978](http://montgomerycountymd.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=169&event_id=5034&meta_id=141978) .

*For more legislation voted on this week, see press release at*

[http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=21279](http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21279)

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## **Reduce the Risk for Trash Fires**

Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett and Department of Environmental Protection Director Lisa Feldt recently held an event to increase awareness of the importance of the [safe disposal of household waste materials that could become a fire hazard when discarded in the trash](#). The event was held at Montgomery County's Shady Grove Processing Facility and Transfer Station located at 16101 Frederick Road in Derwood. For important tips, see the [Press Release](#)

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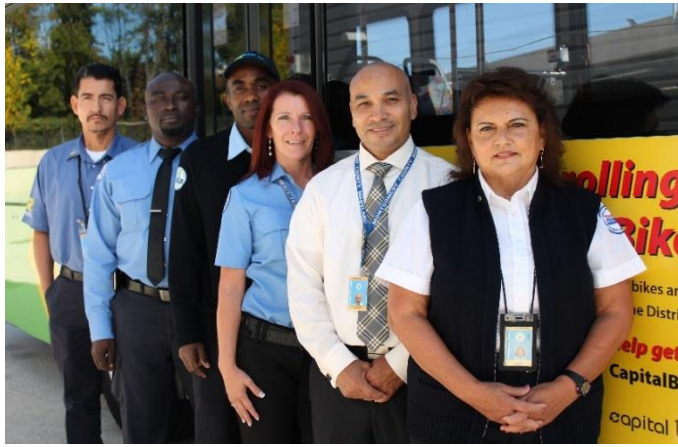
## **Another Top-10 Finish for the County**



Montgomery County was ranked 2nd in the 2017 Digital Counties competition, which is sponsored by the Center for Digital Government and the National Association of Counties. This is the fourth year in a row that the County has been ranked 2nd for Counties whose populations exceed 500,000. Montgomery County is the only county with a population exceeding 500,000 to be ranked in the Top 10 each year since the inception of the survey in 2003.

See the story [here](#).

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## **Ride On is Actively Hiring Full-time and Substitute Bus Operators.**

Come and join Montgomery County Government. Ride On is looking for applicants with excellent communications skills, and the ability to serve the riding public and fellow employees with honesty and integrity. The starting salary for the position is over \$39,000.

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- Must be 21 years of age
- Possess a valid driver's license with no more than 1 point on driving record
- 3 years of driving experience
- 1 year of direct customer service experience
- Experience driving a transit bus is a plus

To apply, visit [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/careers](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/careers).

### ***Keep Up with Ride On!***

Like us on Facebook: [www.Facebook.com/RideOnMCT](http://www.Facebook.com/RideOnMCT)

Follow us on Twitter: [www.Twitter.com/RideOnMCT](http://www.Twitter.com/RideOnMCT)

Watch us on YouTube: [www.YouTube.com/c/RideOnMCT](http://www.YouTube.com/c/RideOnMCT)

Sign Up for Text Alerts: Text MONTGOMERY RIDEON to 468311

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*For other news and meeting agendas, visit:*

**County Council** [http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press\\_List.aspx?id=01](http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press_List.aspx?id=01)

**Planning Board** [http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news\\_releases](http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases)

### **Also check out the latest from:**

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permitting.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>